

Commonwealth of Virginia  
Department of Social Services



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**Date:** July 6, 2007

☐ ACTION ITEM

☒ INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**Subject:** Pandemic Avian Influenza Information

**To:** ONS Resettlement Provider Directors

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The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) issues monthly reports on its planning for a potential pandemic avian influenza outbreak in Virginia. The July report included information which may be of interest to you.

First, VDH distributed "talking posters" to local health districts. The audience for these posters is both non-English speakers and English language speakers with low literacy. The posters are the first of a series of posters being produced in a variety of languages. They use fables from a variety of ethnic traditions to promote cough and sneeze etiquette and recommend flu shots to diverse groups. The posters are for those who speak Spanish, Tagalog, Russian, and Farsi, as well as English speaking children and adults.

VDH plans to make the posters available to state institutions and other partners so that they can be seen by constituents in rural, city and suburban communities. The posters can be downloaded <http://www.vdh.state.va.us/PandemicFlu/index.asp>. If you would like more information about these materials, you may contact Elizabeth Singer with the Virginia Department of Health. Her contact information is [elizabeth.singer@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:elizabeth.singer@vdh.virginia.gov) or is 804-864-7635.

Second, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) has developed an automated, web-based public health tool to manage and expand vaccination systems capabilities. This is an automated system that VDH will be implementing to track and manage vaccinations during an emergency. VDH will test the CDC automated system, called

Countermeasure Response Administration, in a number of seasonal influenza mass vaccination campaigns. The VDH is inviting local health districts to participate in testing this system. If your local health district administrator plans to volunteer for this testing, perhaps refugee populations could be included in that testing.

Third , the VDH July report included information on two upcoming meetings which may be of interest to some of you.

1. The Henrico Health District in planning a pandemic flu workshop in August for county government and business leaders. Their leaflet is attached for your information.
2. The Arlington Health District is planning a workshop for non-profit and faith based organization on pandemic influenza planning. Their leaflet is attached for your information.

# Participate · Partner · Prepare

with your community



## Henrico County Pandemic Flu Summit



Friday August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007, 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM  
Sheraton West Hotel  
6624 West Broad Street  
Richmond, VA

### Who Should Attend?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Henrico county citizens         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Businesses      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Healthcare facilities           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schools         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local government infrastructure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Faith Community |

### What will I learn?

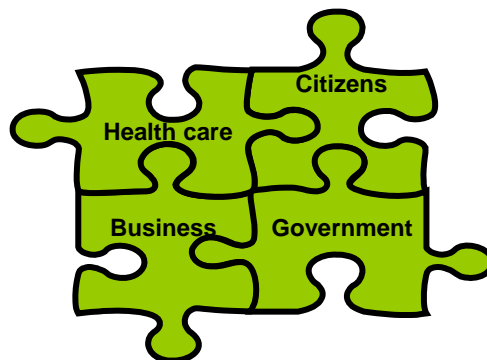
- ☒ Learn why we are concerned about a Pandemic flu event
- ☒ Learn the steps to developing your own family and personal preparedness plan
- ☒ Discuss the ingredients of a successful pandemic flu preparedness plan for you
- ☒ Coordinate pandemic flu plans with other Henrico county citizens and organizations in your field

### How do I register? Choose one of the options below...

- ☒ Call 804-225-4604
- ☒ Fill out the attached form
  - fax to 804-225-3888 or
  - email to: [Rebecca.blenderman@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:Rebecca.blenderman@vdh.virginia.gov)
- ☒ Log on to <https://va.train.org> log on and search for "Henrico County Pan Flu Summit"

**Note: Please limit registrations to 2 people per organization**

This is a **FREE** seminar – registration & breakfast @ 8am, the program begins @ 9am, and lunch will be provided



# Henrico County Pandemic Flu Summit FAX Registration Form

**Note: Please limit registrations to 2 people per organization**

## Contact Information (Please print or type)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*You will receive an email confirmation through our TRAIN Learning Management System. The email will also contain information for optional registration into the TRAIN system.**

Return this form by fax to: **Virginia Department of Health  
Emergency Preparedness & Response Program  
Fax: 804-225-3888**

Questions? Contact 804-225-4604 or [Rebecca.blenderman@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:Rebecca.blenderman@vdh.virginia.gov)

Please select the type of business/organization you represent:

- ☐ Hospital
- ☐ Nursing Home
- ☐ Business

- ☐ Schools
- ☐ Private, non profit
- ☐ Local government

Other \_\_\_\_\_

# **ARLINGTON**

## **Non-profits and Faith Based Organizations**

**Are you struggling with pandemic flu planning?  
when you:**

- **Don't have the time**
- **Don't have anyone to do it**
- **Will get a flu shot**
- **Are scared**
- **Think it's all "hype"**

**This is the training for you! We'll get you started  
with a SIMPLE CHECKLIST and some  
PRACTICAL TIPS.**

**Come to this important training on July 27<sup>th</sup> at  
the Arlington County Department of Human  
Services 7<sup>th</sup> floor conference center at 3033  
Wilson Blvd. from 9:00am – 11:00am.**

**To register: Contact Jan Tenerowicz  
Telephone: (703) 228-5600  
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